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UTILITY APPLICATION AND APPLICATION FEE TRANSMITTAL (1.53(b))

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For: AUTOMATED ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Enclosed are

- ☒ 21 pages of specification, 1 page of Abstract, 2 pages of claims 1-12  
☒ 3 sheets of drawings ☒ formal ☐ informal  
☒ 1 page of Declaration  
    ☐ unsigned ☒ newly executed ☐ copy from prior application  
    ☐ Deletion of inventors including Signed Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2)  
☐ Claim for Priority  
☐ Certified copy of Priority Documents ☐ English translation  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement ☐ copy of        cited references  
    ☐ copy of PTO-1449 filed in parent application serial no.                       
☐ Preliminary Amendment  
☒ Return receipt postcard  
☐ Assignment papers (assignment cover sheet and assignment documents)  
    ☐ a check in the amount of \$40.00 for recording the Assignment  
    ☐ Assignment papers filed in parent application serial no.                       
    ☐ Certification of chain of title pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)  
☒ This is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application serial no. 09/501,197  
    ☐ Cancel in this application original claims        of the parent application before calculating the filing fee (at least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).  
    ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed, adding claims numbered consecutively after the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.  
☒ The status of the parent application is as follows:  
    ☐ A Petition For Extension of Time and proper Fee has been or is being filed in the parent application to extend the term for action in the parent application until                     .  
    ☐ A copy of the Petition For Extension of Time in the co-pending parent application is attached.  
    ☒ No Petition For Extension of Time is necessary in the co-pending parent application.  
☐ Please abandon the parent application at a time while the parent application is pending or at a time when the Petition For Extension of Time in that application is granted and while this application is pending or has been granted a filing date, so as to make the application co-pending.  
    ☐ Transfer the drawings from the parent application to this application.  
☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
    This is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part (CIP) of co-pending application serial no.                      filed                     .

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**CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FEE (For a Small Entity)**

	No. Filed	No. Included in Basic Fee	No. Extra	Rate per Claim	TOTAL
Basic Fee					345
Total Claims	12	20	0	9	
Independent Claims	3	3	0	39	
Multiple Dependent Claims				130	
TOTAL					345

☒ A signed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status is attached or has been filed in the above-identified parent application and its benefit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a) is hereby claimed. Reduced fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(f) are paid herewith.

☒ A check in the amount of \$ 345.00 in payment of the application filing fee is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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